SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 587

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION recognizing Marion Carter for his work in compiling the music for *Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music*.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable individuals who through their creative endeavors bring honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, Marion Carter, co-founder of Ripete Records, is one such individual; his efforts as a senior contributor to the *Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music* compilation served to make the work, which details the history of American beach music and its effect on the American music scene, a deeply compelling and thoroughly entertaining retrospective; and

WHEREAS, *Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music* brings to light the stories behind the groove for the beach, soul, and southern rock styles of music, each of which possesses its own distinctive flair; Mr. Carter's work in compiling the music for *Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music* served to bring a sensory experience to those wishing to explore or revisit those days of American music; and

WHEREAS, Ripete Records, co-founded by Marion Carter in Elliot, South Carolina, in 1979, holds as its highest priority the restoration and preservation of the musical heritage of its region, namely that of Carolina Beach and Shag Music, a legacy which began in the late 1940s and continued through the 1960s; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter has also dedicated his time and energies to the production of new recordings by such notable performers as Jimmy Hall, Jerry Butler, The Chi-Lites, and Johnny Adams, sponsoring the resurgence of a wonderful style of truly American music; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that he be recognized for his dedication to the musical genre and his tireless efforts to preserve it; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the members of this General Assembly, and indeed the entire State of Tennessee, extends a deep gratitude to Marion Carter for his contribution to the *Heeey Baby Days of Beach Music* book, which memorializes the history and tradition of beach music, especially those of Tennessee's bands and performers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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